CITY OF WINONA

Regular City Council Meeting 520 Dallas St. Winona, TX Tuesday October 16th, 2018

MINUTES

On this 16th day of October, 2018 the Winona City Council convened at the Community Center located at 520 Dallas St, Winona, Texas at 6:30 pm in a Regular City Council Meeting. The meeting was open to the public and the following were present:

Members Present: Mayor Pat Schlau, Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land, Alderman Nubbin Rutledge, Alderman Dede Stroud, Alderman Dee Roden

Members Absent: Alderman Candy Folley

Guest Present: Randall Turner, Ronnie Pilcher, Mike Sebring, Ronny Young – Magnum Gas, Greg Dorris – Magnum Gas, Jim Meade – Atmos, Pat Land, Blake Armstrong – City Attorney

A. CALL TO ORDER

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call. Public notice of this meeting has been given and a quorum is present.

B. INVOCATION

At this time Mayor Pat Schlau asked everyone to observe in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. September 15th, 2018 Budget Workshop, September 18th, 2018 Public Hearing and Regular Minutes.

Motion was made by Alderman Dede Stroud to approve the September 15th, 2018 Budget Workshop minutes and the September 18th, 2018 Public hearing and Regular minutes and seconded by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

D. APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS:

1. Approval of September 2018 financials

Motion was made to approve the September financials by Alderman Dee Roden and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

E. FOLLOW UP ITEMS:

- 1. Discussion and possible action for Miller Park. (Dede Stroud)
 - a. Discussion and possible action for a workday for the swing project.

 Alderman Dede Stroud spoke at this time about updates regarding the swing project.
 - b. Discussion and possible action about the sign for Miller Park.

Alderman Dede Stroud spoke at this time about updates regarding the sign project and also in regards to some future ideas for the park to consider.

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F. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action for Gas Proposal Contract between Atoms Gas and the City of Winona and execution and evaluation for connection cost option to their tap.

Motion was made to approve the contract between the City of Winona and Atmos by Alderman Dee Roden and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made to approve the assistance from Magnum Gas for the connection cost to Atmos tap by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion and possible action on whether to keep the TexPool accounts open or move the fund to 1st National Bank Hughes Springs.

Motion was made to close all three TexPool accounts and move the funds into the accounts at 1^{st} National Bank Hughes Springs by Alderman Dee Roden and seconded by Alderman Dede Stroud.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on adopting a resolution to be in compliance with TCOL for having and operating a police department.

Motion was made to approve Resolution 2018-02 by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion and possible action on bill increase from 5J for last work done on gas transport line

Motion was made to only pay the agreed upon amount of \$2800 to 5J Services by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Land.

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action for 911 board recommendation from City of Winona Motion was made to recommend nominee Gene Cottle by Alderman Dede Stroud and

seconded by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge.
All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action for sewer pond sludge removed and using the grant funds we received from Sabine River Authority.

Motion was made to approve the use of Scoop services to remove sludge from the sewer pond by Alderman Nubbin Rutledge and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.

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- **7.** Discussion and possible action on rate increase plan for gas, water, sewer utilities Mayor updated council on current rates, area rates vs. our rates, and will be discussed further at the November 20th meeting.
- 8. Discussion and possible action on tapping fee rates increase for water and gas meters to at least equal the 25% material cost increase to the City of Winona

Motion was made to approve increase in tapping fees for water and gas from the current rate of \$850 up to \$1050 per tap by Alderman Dede Stroud and seconded by Alderman Dee Roden.

All approved; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action on the Sewer Pond evaluation of past, present, and future repairs of upgrades, services to customers, cost, and anything else related to the sewer department for a full discussion.

Awaiting outside information.

10. Discussion and possible action on gas service, repairs, upgrades, GLO and anything else gas related for a full discussion.

Awaiting outside information.

11. Evaluation, discussion, and possible action for employee City Secretary Deana Powell.

No action taken at this time.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council reserves the right to convene into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consult with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personal Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.087 (Economic Development). This session is discussion only and any decisions made during this discussion will be mentioned and voted upon once reconvened into regular session.

Mayor closed regular session at 7:41 pm and opened into executive session at 7:41 pm. Executive session was closed at 8:35 pm and reconvened into regular session at 8:35 pm.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.074, the City Council will convene into
executive session to discuss City Secretary Deana Powell's end of probation evaluation.
Discussed at length at this time.

H. VISITORS OPEN FORUM

No one spoke at this time.

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Alderman N	ubbin Rutledge	made the mot	ion to adjou	rn this meetir	ng at 8:35 pm.
Seconded by	y Alderman Dee	Roden.			

All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to come before the council this meeting was adjourned.

Pat Schlau, Mayor	Deana Powell, City Secretary